

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

DATE: June 15, 2006

CALLED TO ORDER: 5:06 p.m.

ADJOURNED: 5:58 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

ATTENDING MEMBERS

Lonnell Conley, Chairman
Patrice Abdullah
Mary Moriarty Adams
Ginny Cain
Dane Mahern
Angela Mansfield
Michael Speedy

ABSENT MEMBERS

Jim Bradford
Scott Keller

AGENDA

PROPOSAL NO. 90, 2006 - reappoints Al Finnell to the Board of Public Works
"Strike" Vote 6-0

PROPOSAL NO. 200, 2006 - reappoints Herb Bazemore to the Marion County Stormwater
Management Technical Advisory Committee
"Postpone" until June 29, 2006 Vote 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 339, 2006 - approves the Mayor's appointment of Kumar Menon as the
Director of the Department of Public Works
"Do Pass" Vote 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 340, 2006 - approves an appropriation of \$5,000,000 in the 2006 Budget of
the Department of Public Works, Operations Division, (Sanitation Liquid Waste Fund) to pay
for work related to sanitary sewer infrastructure relocation as part of the Indiana Department of
Transportation's (INDOT) Accelerate I-465 projects to upgrade the interstate system in Marion
County, the costs for which will be reimbursed by INDOT
"Do Pass as Amended" Vote 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 341, 2006 - approves an appropriation of \$500,000 in the 2006 Budget of the
Department of Public Works, Operations Division (State Grants Fund) to begin the first phase
of a project to convert existing incandescent traffic signals to more energy efficient LED lights,
funded by a grant from the Indiana Office of Energy and Defense Development
"Do Pass" Vote 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 342, 2006 - approves an appropriation of \$34,944 in the 2006 Budget of the Department of Public Works, Policy and Planning Division (Consolidated County Fund) to hire interns, funded by contributions from the IUPUI Solution Center and from AMEC, Inc.

“Do Pass as Amended”

Vote 6-0

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Vote 6-0

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“Do Pass”

Vote 6-0

PROPOSAL NO. 347, 2006 - authorizes a multi-way stop at the intersection of Guion Road and Industrial Boulevard (District 7)

“Do Pass”

Vote 6-0

PROPOSAL NO. 348, 2006 - authorizes a traffic signal for the intersection of Lafayette Boulevard and Lafayette Road (District 7)

“Do Pass”

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

The Public Works Committee of the City-County Council met on Thursday, June 15, 2006. Chair Lonnell Conley called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. with the following members present: Patrice Abdullah, Ginny Cain, Dane Mahern, Angela Mansfield, and Mike Speedy. Mary Moriarty Adams arrived shortly thereafter. Absent were Jim Bradford and Scott Keller.

PROPOSAL NO. 90, 2006 - reappoints Al Finnell to the Board of Public Works

Chair Conley stated that the position that Mr. Finnell was recommended for has been filled; therefore, this proposal needs to be removed.

Councillor Abdullah moved, seconded by Councillor Mansfield, to “Strike” Proposal No. 90, 2006. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 200, 2006 - reappoints Herb Bazemore to the Marion County Stormwater Management Technical Advisory Committee

Chair Conley stated that Mr. Bazemore was not available to attend and understands that he will not be available for the next two scheduled meetings. Councillor Mansfield asked if anyone knew why Mr. Bazemore is not available for the next two meetings. NaTrina Moffett, Public Works Committee Clerk, stated that Mr. Bazemore has a prior engagement for the next meeting, and will be out of town for the following meeting. Councillor Mansfield stated that it seems that Mr. Bazemore is very busy and wondered if he is available to attend the Advisory Committee meetings. Chair Conley said that he agrees with Councillor Mansfield and asked how the Committee would like to handle the appointment.

[Clerk’s note: Councillor Moriarty Adams arrived at this time 5:10 p.m.]

Councillor Mahern asked if Mr. Bazemore’s attendance record was available for the Advisory Committee. Ms. Moffett answered in the negative and stated that Mr. Bazemore’s attendance can be obtained and made available to the Committee. Carlton Ray, Administrator of Environmental Engineering, Department of Public Works (DPW), stated that the meetings of the Advisory Committee have been delayed due to inadequate funding for stormwater. Since funding is again being received, the Advisory Committee is meeting on a regular basis. He said that the next scheduled meeting is August 15, 2006, and the meetings will be scheduled on a quarterly basis.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Speedy, to “Postpone” Proposal 200, 2006 until June 9, 2006. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 339, 2006 - approves the Mayor's appointment of Kumar Menon as the Director of the Department of Public Works

Mr. Menon gave a brief presentation with the following highlights:

- He wants to continue handling DPW's basic services, such as trash, snow, and weeds.
- All efforts under the leadership of Jim Garrard and Barbara Lawrence will continue and hopefully progress.
- His background includes:
 - Managing contracts for DPW
 - Involvement in many growth efforts of DPW
 - Served as DPW's Deputy Director for Policy and Planning
 - Administrator for Solid Waste
 - Worked in Health and Hospital
 - Taught at Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI) and Indiana Wesleyan
 - An entrepreneur
- He wants to continue building networks and relationships to continue to provide a consistent expertise of services to citizens.
- Under the umbrella of neighborhood services, his focus is on three E's
 - Economics – to work with other agencies on providing economic development services across the City and on efforts to minimize waste, streamline processes, make efforts more efficient, and get more people in the field
 - Environment – to work with other city agencies and the State to provide a better place to live.
 - Education – to make sure to share resources and provide knowledge and access to services for citizens, as well as receive education from the citizens on their needs.
- He wants to partner with every city agency to be sure to provide as many services and resources to make a better city.

Councillor Mahern asked what new perspective will Mr. Menon bring to his new position. Mr. Menon said that he always looks for efficiencies and business processes. He said that what is done is important, but it is critical to pay attention to how it is done. He will focus on the business side and looking for any way to improve some of the business processes. He also wants to work on ways to regionally improve the environment; land, air, and water.

Councillor Abdullah said that he is concerned with infrastructure development of curbs, sidewalks, streets, and new developments. He asked how Mr. Menon will handle the backlog problem with no monies for curbs and sidewalks. Mr. Menon said that the transportation fund is what pays for curbs and sidewalks, which will decline over the next several years. He said that they need to internally look at some other areas to free up more money to put back into neighborhood services. He is working with other agencies to explore ideas on ways to free up more monies. He said that there is no quick fix for the backlog, but they are working on that issue on a daily basis.

Councillor Mahern asked if there are any projects that are being worked on between DPW and the Department of Metropolitan Development (DMD). Mr. Menon said that he has asked for DMD's senior staff to sit in on DPW's senior staff meetings, to look at some of the issues and view them as city problems as opposed to departmental problems. He said that he will also be

inviting persons from other city agencies and possibly state agencies to work on a concerted effort to fix the city's problems.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Abdullah, to forward Proposal No. 339, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 340, 2006 - approves an appropriation of \$5,000,000 in the 2006 Budget of the Department of Public Works, Operations Division, (Sanitation Liquid Waste Fund) to pay for work related to sanitary sewer infrastructure relocation as part of the Indiana Department of Transportation's (INDOT) Accelerate I-465 projects to upgrade the interstate system in Marion County, the costs for which will be reimbursed by INDOT

Dave Cleaver, Assistant Administrator, DPW, said that these funds are anticipated to be used to assist in moving the sewer facilities that are in conflict with the expansion plans of INDOT for I-465 from Kentucky Avenue/State Road 67 north to 46th Street. He said that these funds will be reimbursed by INDOT, as it is their policy to reimburse a utility, which in this case is DPW. Mr. Cleaver said that the proposal reflects that the money should come from Character 3, but it will actually come from Character 4.

Councillor Speedy asked if the money will be spent on hard or soft costs. Mr. Cleaver said that it will be spent on both; the bulk of the money will be spent on construction and relocation of the sewer. Councillor Speedy asked if the soft costs will be in-house or third-party. Mr. Cleaver said that CTE Engineering Firm has been retained by DPW's engineering division to be the primary designers, but he is unsure if they will also do the inspections. Councillor Speedy asked if the sewer for relocation will be upsized. Mr. Ray said that it will probably be slightly larger and the goal is to meet long-term needs with the new sewer. Councillor Speedy asked why the sewer is being relocated. Mr. Cleaver answered that the current sewer will be in conflict with the widening of I-465.

Councillor Speedy asked if this appropriation is already in the State's budget. Mr. Cleaver said that it is part of the Major Moves program and DPW has written correspondence from INDOT indicating that reimbursement will be given.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mansfield, to amend Proposal No. 340, 2006 by a substitute proposal attached as Exhibit A. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Abdullah, to amend Proposal No. 340, 2006 by moving the \$5,000,000 in Section 3, Character 3 to Section 3, Character 4. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mahern, to forward Proposal No. 340, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass as Amended" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 341, 2006 - approves an appropriation of \$500,000 in the 2006 Budget of the Department of Public Works, Operations Division (State Grants Fund) to begin the first phase of a project to convert existing incandescent traffic signals to more energy efficient LED lights, funded by a grant from the Indiana Office of Energy and Defense Development

Michael Williams, Chief Financial Office, DPW, said that Proposal 341, 2006 is a result of a year and a half worth of work with DPW planning to replace traffic signals with LED lighting. He said that the appropriation is to get started in 2006 and will carry into 2007. The additional money that is needed is estimated at about \$2.5 million for the next several years and will be added into the budget, as there are funds currently in the budget for traffic signal supplies and materials. He said that additional money may be sought to accelerate the program, but that will be brought back before the Committee and the Council.

Councillor Abdullallah asked how many signals are anticipated in the first round. Nathan Sheets, Senior Project Manager, DPW, answered that it appears that roughly 200 individual intersections will be done in the downtown area.

Councillor Mahern moved, seconded by Councillor Moriarty Adams, to forward Proposal No. 341, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

[Clerk's note: Councillor Speedy left at this time 5:45 p.m.]

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Mr. Williams said that DPW has been able to work with the IUPUI Solution Center, who offers upper level undergraduate or graduate students as interns. IUPUI provides the money for this service, and DPW has obtained several interns: one for Geographic Information System (GIS) planning, one for contracts, one to look at revenue procedures within the department, and one to do stormwater mapping in the operations division. He said that the benefit is that DPW is able to obtain these services for approximately \$600 for the year, with IUPUI Solution Center and AMEC, Inc, the stormwater third-party biller, paying the remainder.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mahern, to amend Proposal No. 342, 2006 by a substitute proposal attached as Exhibit B. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Abdullallah, to forward Proposal No. 342, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass as Amended" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 343, 2006 - approves an appropriation of \$5,833,000 in the 2006 Budget of the Department of Public Works, Engineering and Operations Divisions (Stormwater

Management Utility Fund) for stormwater capital projects and stormwater related maintenance costs

Mr. Williams said that this proposal taps into the existing revenues and some of the anticipated revenues for the stormwater management program. He said that the \$5,000,000 goes into Character 4 in Engineering to provide for capital projects and stormwater projects that have been anticipated for many years. Now it is time to actually design and build the projects. The \$833,000 goes into Character 3 of the Operations Division and is to provide for maintenance of activity related to the stormwater program.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mansfield, to amend Proposal No. 343, 2006 by a substitute proposal attached as Exhibit C. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mansfield, to amend Proposal No. 343, 2006 by moving the \$5,000,000 in Section 3, Character 3 to Section 3, Character 4. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mahern, to forward Proposal No. 343, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass as Amended" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 344, 2006 - approves an appropriation of \$830,000 in the 2006 Budget of the Department of Public Works, Operations Division (Sanitation Liquid Waste Fund) to pay increased costs for electric and gas utilities for the advanced wastewater treatment plants

Mr. Williams said that this appropriation is due to rising utility costs and the rising consumer price index.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mansfield, to amend Proposal No. 344, 2006 by a substitute proposal attached as Exhibit D. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mahern, to forward Proposal No. 344, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass as Amended" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 345, 2006 - amends the Revised Code, traffic operating restrictions, to regulate the use of any engine, compression, dynamic braking device, or mechanical exhaust device (often times referred to as a "Jake brake" or "jake braking")

Councillor Mansfield moved, seconded by Councillor Moriarty Adams, to "Postpone" Proposal No. 345, 2006 until June 29, 2006 to allow Councillor Salisbury to attend the meeting. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

PROPOSAL NO. 346, 2006 - authorizes parking restrictions on Paxton Place from College Avenue to Guilford Avenue (District 3)

PROPOSAL NO. 347, 2006 - authorizes a multi-way stop at the intersection of Guion Road and Industrial Boulevard (District 7)

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Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Abdullah, to forward Proposals No. 346, 347, and 348, 2006 to the full Council with “Do Pass” recommendations. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Conclusion

With no further business pending, and upon motion duly made, the Public Works Committee of the City-County Council was adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lonnell Conley, Chairman

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